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Dear Colleague,

It gives me great pleasure to invite your library to participate in the Michigan eLibrary Catalog (MeLCat) – the statewide union catalog and resource sharing system we are building for Michigan's libraries and residents. All types of libraries in Michigan are welcome to apply: public, academic, school and special libraries.

MeLCat and the new MeL gateway will be launched in January of 2005, with the InMICH libraries contributing to the first round. We plan to continue adding library collections every four months, as MeLCat becomes a strong and inclusive catalog.

If you have questions about being part of MeLCat, or would like to apply, you will find information posted at <http://www.michiganelibrary.org>. You may also contact MeLCat staff at the Michigan Library Consortium by calling 1-800-530-9019.

MeLCat has been built through the extraordinary efforts of the Michigan library community. The committees and teams have spent many hours working together to create the reality of a statewide, multitype resource sharing system for Michigan. Your participation is important, and the value of MeLCat will increase with each added library collection.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Christie Pearson Brandau
State Librarian